

As an Oklahoma broadcaster for over 40 years, I know of not one incident of indecency in Oklahoma by a radio or television station. Yet, because of the actions of a few stations on the national scene, the approximate 200 radio and television stations in our State would be penalized under this proposed rule requiring all stations to record their programming. It is often overlooked by those in decision making positions at FCC that the vast majority of this nations broadcast facilities are located in small markets and the large metro market stations are not representative of those operators who are fully cognizant of the morality of their public.

Be it in Oklahoma metro areas of OklahomaCity or Tulsa or small communities such as Frederick, Guymon or Broken Bow, indecency in the air is not a problem for our stations. Should the Commission approve this rulemaking requiring these recordings it will place an unnecessary burden on these operations with limited staffs, expense for recording equipment and storage facilities.

Let's not penalize the entire broadcast industry for the indiscreet actions of a few. We urge the Commission to reject approval of MB Docket No. 04-232.